

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application:	Simionescu et al.)	Examiner: P. Kumar
Serial No:	10/722,142)	Art Unit: 1751
Filed:	November 24, 2003)	Confirmation No: 4675
Title:	"Fixation Method for Bioprostheses")	Deposit Account: 04-1403
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims	23	minus 46	= 0	X \$50 = \$.00
Independent Claims	3	minus 5	= 0	X \$200 = \$.00

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Since Official Action set an original due date of _____, **PETITION** is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month \$120; 2 months \$450; 3 months \$1,020; 4 months \$1590, 5 months \$2,160) \$.00

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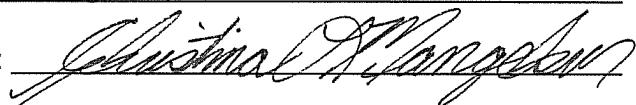
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